

# Brunswick County Code Administration

# Fire Alarm Requirements

Electronic (PDF) Construction Documents shall be submitted and approved by the Fire Marshal's Office prior to any installation per section 901.2 & 907.1.1 NC Fire Code.

Electronic Construction Documents (PDF) shall include additional information may be required prior to the approval of the submitted plans:

- A floor plan which indicates the use of all rooms.
- Locations of alarm-initiating and notification appliances.
- Alarm control and trouble signaling equipment.
- Annunciation.
- Power connections.
- Battery calculations.
- Conductor type and sizes.
- Voltage drop calculations.
- Manufactures, model numbers and listing information for equipment, devices and materials.
- Details of ceiling height and construction.
- The interface of fire safety control functions.

The above information is not all-inclusive.

#### Applies to all sheets

- All sheets to be same size ("C" 24"x 36" Preferred)
- Scale 1/8" only
- All sheets to be same scale
- Drawing number, revision & date.
- Name and Address of Project.
- Name and Address of Installing Contractor.
- Reviewed by Section on Title Block Showing NICET Certification Sub-Field, Level, Number and expiry date <u>if</u> required.
- · Type of system.
- Show Compass Points.
- Sheet Title
- · Key Plan for Building Sections
- Clear and Legible Plans suitable for Photocopying.

# **Drawings:**

# First Sheet (Title Sheet)

- Name and Address of Building
- Owner Name and Telephone Number of Installation Company Contact person
- Contractors License Classification and Number
- Name and Address of General Contractor (if Applicable)
- Name and Address of Electrical Contractor (if Applicable)
- · Square Footage of each building and Total
- Building Occupancy Type
- Type of System: Fire Alarm, Conventional Hardwired, Wireless, Addressable, Analog Addressable, Class "A", Class "B"
- List applicable Codes and Standards with Editions used in the system design Bldg Code, Fire Code, NFPA 72, NFPA 70, UMC, Elev.,
- All Approving Agencies, Name & telephone Number
- Sequence of operation
- Identify if wiring is enclosed in conduit, open wiring, power limited or non-power limited.
- Contractor Notes with reference to this project
- Fire Department notes with reference to this project
- Name and Location of monitoring company
- Type of Notification. (Temporal, Steady, Coded etc.)
- Scope of Work
- Box for AHJ Approval Stamp
- Wiring Legend
- Symbol List with Manufacturer, Part Number and backbox.
- If insufficient space for Wiring Legend and Symbol List on Title Sheet, insert an additional sheet.

#### Site Plan Sheet

- Scale of Site Plan
- Scale Bar Graph
- Main Control Panel and all Sub Control Panel Locations
- Fire Alarm Annunciators
- Location of As Built Drawing Cabinet
- Location of Lock Box

Submit an online application at <a href="http://www.brunswickcountync.gov/code-administration/permits/">http://www.brunswickcountync.gov/code-administration/permits/</a>

# Floor Plan Sheets

- Building Floor Plan
- Sheet Title
- Scale of Sheet
- Scale Bar Graph
- Location of All Doors Windows walls Exterior and Interior
- Location of all obstructions exceeding 6ft above FFL.
- Intended use of each room (e.g. Storage, Classroom, Restroom, Vestibule)
- Location of all Air Supply and Return registers
- Ceiling Heights, Ceiling Details and configuration may be shown on an additional sheet. With Reference Key
- Full Height Cross Section of building. May be shown on an additional sheet. With reference key.
- Mounting Heights of devices
- Location of Main Fire Alarm Control Panel
- Show location and source of Emergency Standby Power.
- Location of all Annunciator panels, Sub Fire Alarm Panels, Booster Panels
- Location of all Power sources, Panel Numbers and breaker Numbers for each piece of equipment
- Show location of all Fire Alarm Detection and Notification devices. Along with Temperature ratings and Candela Ratings if applicable
- Show location of all ancillary devices, i.e. Door Holders, Door closers, Gas shut off, Fan shutdown, Smoke dampers, Shunt trips, etc.
- Show location of all Fire Sprinkler risers, Waterflow switches and tamper switches.
- Show locations of all fire pumps and fire pump controllers.
- Show all Access Doors and signage for Duct Detector Access.
- · Show all remote indicators for hidden devices.
- Show all zoning if a conventional fire alarm system.
- Show wiring type, size, number of conductors and approx. wiring layout
- Show all Rated Walls

# Additional sheets as required

- Show all areas of the building Show all floors and all configurations.
- Cross Sections Ceiling Details.
- Device Wiring Details
- Device Spacing Typicals
- ADA Mounting Heights, Show Detail

#### **Details Sheet**

- Circuit Wiring Diagram
- Typical device & Ancillary Device wiring
- · Riser Diagram Sheet

# **Voltage Drop Calculations Sheets**

Voltage Drop calculations for each Notification Appliance Circuit showing wire size Circuit Current and Voltage drop.

#### **Stand-by Battery Calculation Sheets**

 Standby Battery Calculations for each Control Panel, Sub Panel, Power Booster, Central Station Transmitter, Power supply.

All of the above sheets are to be submitted as a complete set of plans for approval. Approved plans must be kept on site during construction.

# **Specification Package**

TABLE OF CONTENTS (each section shall have tabs and be separated accordingly. Include table of contents.)

- 1. Fire Alarm Control Panels, Power Supplies and Annunciators
- 2. Detection Devices
- 3. Audio/Visual Devices
- 4. System Components, Modules and Relays
- 5. Battery Calculations and cut sheets (calcs shall also be on plans)
- 6. Voltage Calculations (shall also be on plans)
- 7. Compatibility Listings (matrix, table, or info showing device compatibility)
- 8. Operating Instructions for entire System (This will include a copy of what will be posted adjacent to FACP in cabinet)
- 9. Manufacturers Inspections Instructions NFPA Chapter 7
- 10. NICET Certificate (when required or if prepared by NICET)

# As-Built Drawing Cabinet to be provided (907.8.3 NC Fire Code)

An AS BUILT Drawing Cabinet shall be installed at each project with a new Fire Alarm System. It shall be located where acceptable to the Division of Safety & Fire Prevention. The cabinet shall be keyed the same as the alarm panel.

The cabinet shall contain the following:

Complete set of As Built Drawings

A copy of each Permit

A copy of the Fire Marshal Inspection Report

A copy of the original test printout

A hard copy print out of the system configuration if a programmable system

A copy of each maintenance inspection report

Operating Instructions

A copy of the equipment submittals.

**Voltage Drop Calculations** 

**Battery Calculations** 

Any keys required for the system.

# Questions or additional information contact:

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